

CASES OF DYSENTERY, TYPHOID, ETC., IN THE STATE

333. **Mr. A. Eachara Menon (Chittur-Tattamangalam):** Will Government be pleased to state.

- (a) how many cases of typhoid, dysentery and tuberculosis were there in the State in 1121;
- (b) how many deaths there were in each;
- (c) what are Principal causes for these diseases;
- (d) what is the amount prepared to be spent for the tuberculosis hospital at Mullurkara;
- (e) how many beds will there be in the hospital;
- (f) what will be the average duration of tuberculosis to arrest or to cure it?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (Secretary to Government):

(a) & (b) No statistics are available.

(c) *Causes of typhoid and dysentery.*—Bad drinking water, insanitary condition of places; improper disposal of faecal matter which leads to the breeding of flies and subsequent contamination of food.

Causes of tuberculosis.—Immediate cause—infection of tubercle bacilli.

Insanitary congested houses, foul habit of spitting everywhere, poor economic condition of the people—all these contribute to the spread of the disease.

(d) Rs. 8 lakhs for the building.

Rs. 2 lakhs for equipments, etc.

and Rs. 1, 29, 700 for land acquisition.

The tuberculosis hospital is proposed to be constructed at Mulakunnathukavu and not at Mullurkara.

(e) 150 beds.

(f) This depends upon the stage at which treatment is started and upon the availability of efficient treatment.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon (Chittur-Tattamangalam): Cannot these contributories be removed by spending this huge amount?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (Secretary to Government): Of course, Government are taking steps to remove them. Government are now taking both preventive and curative steps.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. ഗ്രാൻസിസ്: പബ്ലിക് ഹെൽത്ത് ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെന്റിൽനിന്ന്, ജനങ്ങളുടെ ആരോഗ്യത്തേയും, അനാരോഗ്യത്തേയും, കുറിച്ചുള്ള വിവരങ്ങൾ പറഞ്ഞു മനസ്സിലാക്കിക്കൊടുക്കാറില്ലെ?

റാവു സാഹിബ് സി. ജെ. മാത്യു: ഉണ്ടു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. ശങ്കരമേനോൻ: മുളുക്കരയിൽ ഹോസ്പിറ്റൽ പണിയുന്നുണ്ടോ?

റാവു സാഹിബ് സി. ജെ. മാത്യു: ഇല്ല. മുളുക്കുന്നത്തു കാവിലാണ് ഹോസ്പിറ്റൽ പണിയുന്നത്.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. ശങ്കരമേനോൻ: അതു ആക്കെങ്കിലും കൺട്രാക്ട് കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

റാവു സാഹിബ് സി. ജെ. മാത്യു: ഇല്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. ഗ്രാൻസിസ്: ഈ Tuberculosis വളരെ വിഷമമുള്ള ഒരു സുഖക്കേടാണെന്ന് അറിയാമോ?

റാവു സാഹിബ് സി. ജെ. മാത്യു: ഞാൻ ഒരു ഡോക്ടറല്ലാത്തതുകൊണ്ട് എനിക്കു അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ഒരുപ്രായം പറയുവാൻ സാധ്യമല്ല.

Mr. M. K. Raja (Mulakunnathukavu): With regard to sanatorium at Mulakunnathukavu may we know if the Government are satisfied that the place now selected for the sanatorium is the best from the climatic point of view?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (Secretary to Government): Government had invited Dr. Benchamen and he came and inspected several places and he is of opinion that this is the best place.

Mr. P. Sankara Menon (Trichur-North): What was the original estimated cost for the sanatorium?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (Secretary to Government): No estimates have been prepared.

Mr. P. Sankara Menon (Trichur-North): Has not the Chief Engineer made any suggestion with regard to the probable expenditure.

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (*Secretary to Government*): There were not detailed estimates or plans prepared.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon (*Chittur-Tattamangalam*): Did Dr. Benchamen inspect the borders of Cochin State near Coimbatore?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (*Secretary to Government*): He visited many places and found this to be the best.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon (*Chittur-Tattamangalam*): Was he taken to Chittur at all?

Mr. M. K. Raja (*Mulakunnathukavu*): Are we to take it that the site now selected is the best available in Cochin State according to Dr. Benchamen's opinion?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (*Secretary to Government*): He went to different places and this place was recommended by him.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan (*Ezhuvas-Kanayannur*): Was he taken to Chittur and Nemmara where the climate is more dry?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (*Secretary to Government*): I want notice to know whether he actually went to those places.

Mr. M. K. Raja (*Mulakunnathukavu*): Can you make available to this House a copy of the recommendations made by Dr. Benchamen in regard to this matter?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

AYURVEDIC HOSPITALS

334. Mr. Paramel Ipe Ipe (*Kunnamkulam*): Will Government be please to state.—

(a) how many Ayurvedic Hospitals have been started this year;

(b) the villages in which they are started;

(c) the population of each of these villages;

(d) considering on the population basis, whether it is not a fact that Kunnamkulam and Pazhanji are most deserving centres for starting Ayurvedic Hospitals;

(e) whether there were any requests from Kunnamkulam and Pazhanji for starting Ayurvedic Hospitals;

(f) if so, when and what replies were given?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew (*Secretary to Government*):

(a) No Ayurvedic Hospitals have been started this year. But the Government Ayurveda Vaidyasala at Pallippuram has been raised into a minor hospital with accommodation for 4 in-patients.

(b) Pallipuram village in Cochin Kanayannur Taluk.

(c) The population of Pallippuram vallyage as per the Census report of 1941 is below 16,500.

(d) Kunnamkulam and Pazhanji are thickly populated centres. There is provision for 5 new Vaidyasalas in the Ayurveda budget of 1122. The clames of Kunnamkulam and Pazhanji will be considered when these institutions are started.

(e) Yes.

(f) There were three requests.

1. A petition, dated 15th October 1945 from the General Secretary, Town Improvement Committee, Kunnamkulam. The petitioner was informed that the request for any Ayurvedic Hospital at Kunnamkulam was receiving the attention of the Government.

2. A resolution passed at a public meeting of the Pazanji Town Improvement Association held on 2nd February 1946. It was ordered that there was no scope for an Ayurvedic Hospital at Pazhanji if one was started at Kunnamkulam.

3. A petition, dated 13th Meenam 1121 from Panakkal Iyyathu Mathew and others of Kunnamkulam. The petitioners were told that their request for an Ayurvedic Hospital at Kunnamkulam was engaging the attention of the Government.

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335. മിസ്റ്റർ എം. എ. പോൾ : താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഗവണ്മെണ്ടു സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) കൊച്ചി ഗവണ്മെണ്ട് പ്രസ്സിലെ തൊഴിലാളി വിഭാഗത്തിന്റെ (*Composing, Printing and Binding Department* കളിൽ ഉള്ള ജോലിക്കാരടെ) ഇപ്പോൾ നിലവിൽ ഉള്ള ശമ്പളത്തിനുമപ്പുറം ഏറ്റവും അടുത്തകാലത്തുണ്ടായിരുന്ന ശമ്പളത്തോളം എത്രയും;

(ബി) ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ ശമ്പളത്തോളം എത്രയും;

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